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Tom Wheeler Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

I am proud to serve as Mayor of the City of Lebanon, Tennessee, representing Wilson County. In order to promote the public good I work with constituents, businesses and government officials to encourage policies that inspire economic development and prosperity for all. Today, I would like to discuss a merger proposal in the cable broadband industry that I believe will serve consumers well and contribute to stronger local and national jobs economies.

The merger of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable, and Bright House Networks into New Charter would have a big impact on American jobs. Together, the companies boast tens of thousands of jobs across the country, positions which would be safe from redundancy after the merger. Charter in particular has worked hard to support American employees. Bucking industry trends, the company has kept customer service call centers in the United States. New Charter would follow in Charter's footsteps. In fact, it would return to the United States the previously outsourced Time Warner call centers. This commitment to American jobs is significant, and is exactly the kind of behavior we need to encourage in corporate America.

I am pleased with New Charter's proposal, and feel it would have a positive impact on the economy. I hope you will consider this impact when reviewing the proposal, and join me in supporting the merger.

Sincerely,

Philip Craighead

Mayor